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Occupiers re-emerge at Independence Hall

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Art. Bam Margera

► The former "Jackass" daredevil from West Chester opened his first exhibition in Center City on Saturday evening.

First, Bam Margera was a skateboarding impresario. Then he found a second calling in the alternative genre — which he also helped create — of amateur daredevilry made famous in the "Jackass" series and movies. The local guy turned MTV star now has a third calling: paint on canvas. {page 02}

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In the news

Child shoots himself with mom's gun

A 4-year-old is in critical condition after he accidentally shot himself in the chest with a .38 caliber gun he found under his mother's pillow, police said. The incident happened Saturday around 7 p.m. on the 6200 block of Cardiff Street in Mayfair. The child was in critical condition after surgery. No charges have been filed.

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In the news



UK robber strikes

KYW Newsradio reporter Hadas Kuznits was robbed near Eighth and Market streets last Monday when, while she was riding her bike, a man pedaled up next to her and took her wallet, CBS Philly reported. He is described as a small-framed white man in his 20s with a British accent and an extra large backpack.

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Culture from a 'Jackass'

► West Chester's well-known daredevil takes his talents to canvas ► On exhibit at Center City gallery with photographer friends

Bam Margera — reality TV personality, ex-professional skateboarder, former "Jackass" co-host and infamous West Chester resident — is making his entry into the gallery art world.

And he's chosen Philadelphia for his debut.

"Bam Margera & Friends," which opened Saturday evening at Center City's James Oliver Gallery, features watercolors by Margera alongside professional photographers Geoff "Red Mohawk" Blake, Ryan Gee and Justin Muir.

Margera revealed his artistic motivations in a recent interview with ESPN. "I'd say mostly I paint hot chicks," he said. "But other than that, I've painted my buddy who's fresh out of jail and I have so many funny quotes from him."

Gallery owner James Oliver was quick to downplay the uncultured language. "That's just how he approaches the media," Oliver said. "I think his style is to say off-the-wall stuff to keep things loose and entertaining. We're a recognized and reputable gallery, and we're willing to show him even though he doesn't have a huge track record as a visual artist."

Most of the paintings that have been released to the press feature writing scrawled over crudely drawn female nudes, including one that appears to be a reference to Paris Hilton. Others do indeed uti-

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"I think he's a good painter. He has a lot of natural raw talent. I would encourage him to keep doing it."

OLIVER, GALLERY OWNER

lize quotes from a recent convict: "Mom, it's me Novak! I'm fresh out of jail. Where's my needle?"

"Over the past two years, I'll show up at his house at 10 a.m., and he's already out on the porch painting five different paintings at one time," said Blake. "So he's taking it a lot more seriously."

"He's completely untrained," Blake continued. "One hundred percent self-taught ... I think this is just the start. It's going to be a little bit of a traveling circus. It's all based around him. His work kind of opened this up for the rest of us."

Asked if it bothered him that the least experienced artist is at the top of the bill, Blake unveiled some of the gang's characteristic levity. "Dude, I could give a s—, man. It's all a bunch of friends getting together to have fun."

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► Margera enjoyed a packed house at the exhibition opening Saturday night.



► Photographer Geoff Blake also has artwork on display.

If you go

The "Bam Margera & Friends" show opened Saturday and runs through April 21 at the James Oliver Gallery, 723 Chestnut St., fourth floor. The gallery will be open noon to 8 p.m. daily.

► The first public exhibition by Margera, according to the gallery's website, "explores edgy, satirical and contemporary punk imagery on topics such as social reform, sex, religion and law."

Woman allegedly tried, then failed 'cop fantasy'

PENNSYLVANIA. A pantsless woman allegedly told a state trooper she had a "cop fantasy" and tried to seduce him while he questioned her about a DUI, the Altoona Mirror reported.

State troopers visited the home of Monica Barnhart, 40, to ask her about a March 20 incident in which a motorist saw a car swerving across

both lanes of I-99 in Logan Township at high rates of speed. After calling police, the driver followed the car to Barnhart's home and saw a woman fitting her description going inside. When police visited the residence to follow up, Barnhart allegedly stood in her doorway clad only in a shirt and underpants, reeking of alcohol. **METRO/AW**



Man, woman killed in West Philly bar gunfire

WEST PHILADELPHIA. A man and a woman were fatally shot around 1:40 a.m. Friday at a bar on the 5200 block of Market Street, police said.

The incident happened at The Corral Bar, a notorious nuisance spot beneath the El tracks featured in the 2007 edition of Philadelphia Weekly's ever popular compendium "Top 10 Drug Corners."

Crystal Shadding, 43, died on the scene and Troy Wimberly, 38, died less than an hour later at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

Police said they believe the homicide was drug-related, but are not sure if Shadding was a bystander or target.

No arrests have yet been made.

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► Guitarist Daniel Brouse took part in yesterday's Occupy Independence Hall and was involved in the Dilworth Plaza encampment.

Occupy tents pitched at Indy Hall

After a fairly quiet winter of organizing and strategizing, Occupy Philadelphia reemerged into the public consciousness with a small encampment on Independence Mall this weekend.

The issues that first drew them out — record levels of unemployment, unequal concentration of wealth and a host of socioeconomic ills — remain, participants said.

"Things are not better and they're not going to be," Michael Mizner said in front of the smattering of three to five tents yesterday. "Nothing's changed to impact that decline."

Though the movement's core issues haven't changed, organizers said the time out of the public spotlight gave them a chance to regroup.

"I think they spent all winter trying to figure out what the current and future agenda should be," homeless advocate Dennis Payne, who set up the recently dismantled Camp Lib-

erty One in Port Richmond, said. "They're back out to show they're still here, still standing and still willing to help."

"I think the external emergence of Occupy Philly in public spaces on a regular basis will go a long way toward affirming that," Mizner said.

It's unclear how long this particular occupation will last, as the group does not have a permit for the space and decided not to apply for one. Pressure from the National Park Service seemed to be mounting yesterday. "There's not really been any pressure [to apply for a permit], but I think as of today, it's being turned up," Payne said.

The \$75 document would hold whoever signs it accountable for the cost of liability insurance, monitoring, cleaning up and repairing the event area.

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► How long federal rangers would allow them to stay is unclear.

No new permit

PHILADELPHIA. Occupy Philadelphia voted Saturday to coordinate a four-day community-building conference featuring participants from across the country starting June 30 and culminating in an Occupy national gathering on Independence Mall July 4.

But the movement also voted not to apply for a permit from the Independence

National Historic Park for the event or for its current encampment.

Currently without a permit, Occupiers are not allowed to sleep on the grounds or to congregate in groups larger than 25. No tents are permitted onsite for more than 48 hours without prior approval, according to a permit application. The National Park Service did not return a message for comment. ● **METRO/AW**

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Highway shooting closes Schuylkill

The Schuylkill Expressway was shut down for several hours yesterday morning as police investigated an incident in which a driver was shot and killed on the highway.

State police said the victim, identified as 26-year-old Kareem El of Philadelphia, was driving a silver Buick LeSabre eastbound on I-76 around 2:50 a.m. As he reached mile marker 341 just east of the City Avenue exit, another car drove up alongside him and fired numerous shots through the passenger side.

The driver was struck, sending the car coasting until it crashed into a median. A passenger flagged down Philadelphia Police, who called medics and turned the investigation over to State Police. El, who was shot at least once in the head, was pronounced dead inside his car.

There is no word on a motive and no arrests have yet been made. It is unclear if the driver or passenger were tar-



geted, though police said it is a strong possibility and that the incident does not seem to be random or a road rage-motivated attack.



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Cops: Bath salts cause closet attack

PENNSYLVANIA. A Monroe County man high on bath salts forced his way into a neighbor's home Friday, barricaded himself inside a child's playroom and attacked the closet with a samurai sword, WFMZ-TV reported yesterday.

Bradford Cole, of Effort Township, reportedly began hallucinating that people were attacking and shooting at him after ingesting the drugs. He ran to the house on Lakeside Drive claiming he was being chased.

Cole allegedly destroyed the playroom before stabbing through the closet, according to the report. State police said he was uncooperative and had to be tased before officers could arrest him.

Police allegedly found bath salts in both of his pockets. **METRO/AW**



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Dems, GOP agree: We're all Reagan?

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The New York Times, in its article "Welfare Limits Left Poor Adrift as Recession Hit" Saturday, brought attention to an easily ignored reality: The ideological space between Democrats and Republicans can be thin enough to squeeze a welfare check through while maintaining contact at both ends.

It was, after all, revered President Bill Clinton who passed bipartisan legislation to reform the welfare system in 1996, moving away from the New Deal-era Aid to Families with Dependent Children program in favor of the unfortunately literal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.



Republican titans support the measure. Budget maestro Paul Ryan calls TANF "an unprecedented success." Presidential front-runner Mitt Romney has proposed extending cuts to "all these federal programs." Rick Santorum even borrowed a line from the Obama playbook, arguing that the federal tough love "gave them [the poor] something that dependency doesn't give: hope." How's that working out, exactly?

Not well, it turns out, though don't go asking Obama. The president, who seems to have banked his re-election campaign strategy on highlighting the differences between the two parties, has a mixed record on the welfare issue. Candidate Obama, on the campaign trail in 2008, touted

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his role in passing the reform — though he did say he was "concerned" that it might have "disastrous results." (Really covering all our bases, aren't we, Obama?) "It worked better than, I think, a lot of people anticipated," he said.

We think not, Mr. President. But perhaps you should take it to the "roughly four million women and children" living "jobless and without cash aid" quoted by the Times.

"Today, we are ending welfare as we know it," Clinton proclaimed in 1996. "But I hope this day will be remembered not for what it ended, but for what it began." Indeed, today we dwell on what our vaunted bipartisanship has wrought.

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Veteran CBS journalist Mike Wallace dead at 93

Mike Wallace, the grand inquisitor of CBS's "60 Minutes" news show who once declared there was "no such thing as an indiscreet question," has died at the age of 93, the network said yesterday.

Wallace died on Saturday evening with his family by his side at Waveny Care Center in New Canaan, Conn., where he spent the past few years, CBS said in a statement and on its Sunday morning news broadcast.

"His extraordinary contribution as a broadcaster is immeasurable, and he has been a force within the television industry throughout its existence. His loss will be felt by all of us at CBS," Leslie Moonves, president and CEO of CBS Corporation, said in the statement.

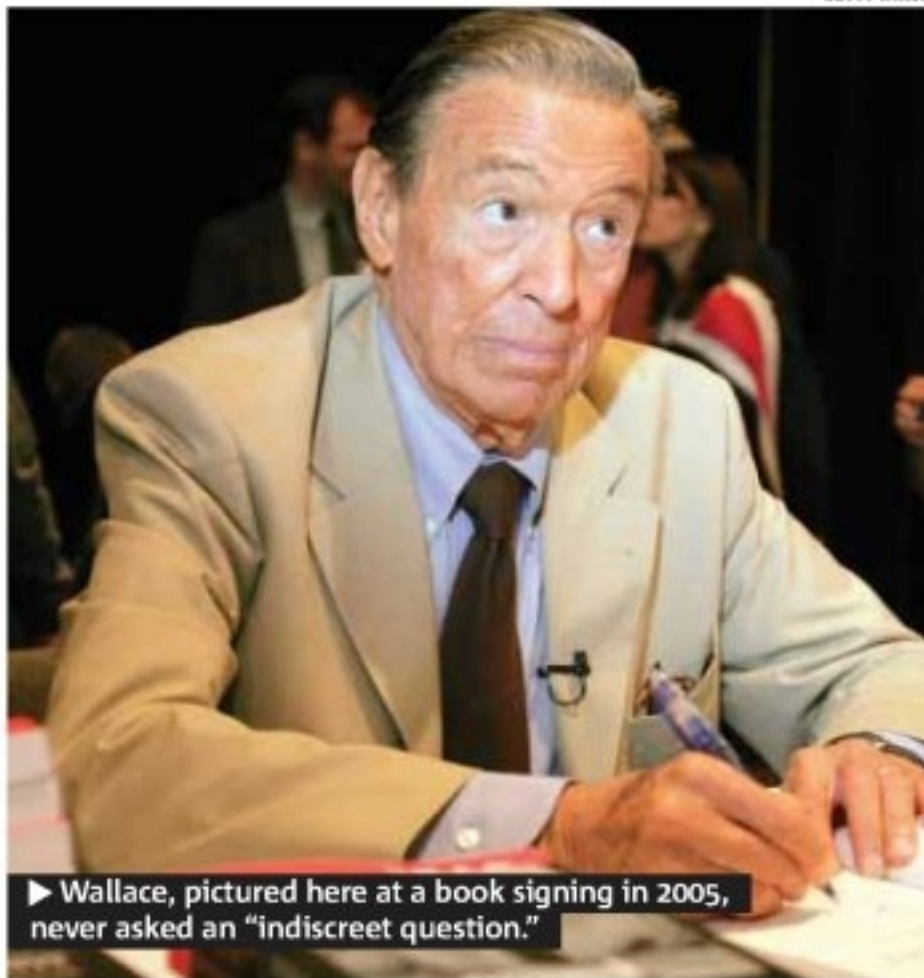
Wallace left his full-time role at "60 Minutes" in 2006

after 38 years and was given the title correspondent emeritus and a part-time contributor role. His last interview was with Roger Clemens, the star baseball pitcher accused of steroid use, in 2008.

Just about anyone who made news during the past six decades — in the United States, but often abroad too — had to submit to a grilling by Wallace.

In almost 40 years on "60 Minutes," the groundbreaking investigative journalism program, he worked on some 800 reports and developed a relentless on-air style that was often more interrogation than interview.

Wallace interviewed every U.S. president since John F. Kennedy, with the exception of George W. Bush, and dozens of other world leaders like Yasser Arafat, Ayatollah Khomeini and Deng Xiaoping. **REUTERS**



▶ Wallace, pictured here at a book signing in 2005, never asked an "indiscreet question."

News in brief



Motown hopes food will spur rebirth, growth

DETROIT. When Slows Bar-B-Q opened in Detroit's Corktown district seven years ago, the neighborhood was so neglected that the street lamps no longer worked.

The restaurant sits in the shadow of Detroit's abandoned central train station, a few blocks from the vacant lot where Tiger Sta-

dium once stood. "People said we were nuts," recalled co-owner Phillip Cooley.

Today, Slows has two Detroit locations that pull in a healthy \$6 million in sales annually. **REUTERS**

Shale oil may help save East Coast refineries

NEW YORK. A new kind of oil from Texas and North Dakota may rescue some East Coast refiners from the brink of oblivion, providing a local alternative to the costly imported crude that had threatened to put them out of business.

While it appears too late to spare Marcus Hook, which has been shuttered since December, evidence of new buying interest has emerged this week for two other major plants — potentially saving the Northeast region from a summer fuel squeeze that had unnerved politicians all the way to the White House. **REUTERS**

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Public employees still face layoffs while rest of economy improves

Since 2009, the city of Chesapeake, Va., has cut its work force twice. This summer, nearly three years after the recession ended, the city of 222,209 has plans for a third round of layoffs.

"We're not seeing the recovery we want to see," said Budget Director Steven Jenkins, who is hoping many of the 20 people will move into other jobs.

The city's revenues are still feeling the concussions from the housing market downturn, which started in 2006, even as overall growth in the United States has improved.

While Friday's report of weak growth in U.S. March payrolls raised concerns about the pace of private-sector hiring, local government jobs remain a drag on the recovery, one that

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"We are heavily reliant on the residential real estate market."

STEVEN JENKINS, CITY OF CHESAPEAKE BUDGET DIRECTOR

"The reassessment we just had was as big as any we've seen since the recession started."

STEVEN JENKINS, CITY OF CHESAPEAKE BUDGET DIRECTOR

is not anticipated to end soon.

State and local governments for a time were able to shield public safety and education work forces from harmful cuts as the recession deepened. The 2009 federal stimulus fund helped offset lost tax revenue, but that money is gone.

Now, many cities and counties nationwide are facing the same dilemma as Chesapeake. Squeezed by depressed property tax revenues and cuts in state aid, they are chipping away at their work forces.

The result? The last three years of job losses at the state and local government level have been the most dramatic since Labor Department records began in 1955, a Reuters analysis found. **REUTERS**

Jobs recovery suffers setback in March

Employers hired far fewer workers in March than in previous months, keeping the door open for the Federal Reserve to provide more monetary support for a sluggish economy.

The report was seized upon by Republicans hoping to make the weak economy the centerpiece of their campaign for November's presidential and congressional elections.

Even as the unemployment rate fell to a three-year low of 8.2 percent, job growth slowed to 120,000 last month, the Labor Department said on Friday, the smallest increase since October. **REUTERS**



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Trash worth up to \$40 billion

Waste Management Inc. estimates the \$12.3 billion it gets for carting off rubbish to landfills may be worth more than \$40 billion a year in energy. That's the value of fuel and chemicals the Houston-based company estimates could be extracted from the 112 million tons of trash it collected last year if the entire waste stream was diverted from landfills, said Carl Rush, senior vice president of Organic Growth unit. **BLOOMBERG**

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Amanda Bynes arrested for DUI

Nickelodeon star **Amanda Bynes**, 26, showed she isn't that innocent by pulling a very Lohan-esque move over the weekend: She drunkenly careened into a police car in the wee hours of Friday morning.

According to People magazine, the "Hairspray" actress was arrested for driving under the influence in Los Angeles after colliding with a police car at around 3 a.m. on Friday, after partying at L.A.'s Greystone Manor Club. "A Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy in a marked black and white radio car was stopped at the intersection of ... Robertson Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard preparing to turn right onto Santa Monica Boulevard when a black BMW driven by actress Amanda Bynes attempted to pass the right of the radio car, colliding with the right rear quarter panel of the radio car," the West Hollywood Sheriff's office said in a statement. "There was minor paint transfer damage to both vehicles. Amanda Bynes was subsequently arrested for driving under the influence and booked at West Hollywood Sheriff's Station." The actress sported



► Amanda Bynes was snapped in this booking photo on Friday after being arrested for a DUI for running into a cop car.

pink-highlighted hair in her mug shot, and after posting \$5,000 for bail, she was spotted the next day in the same leg-baring outfit to retrieve her BMW from an impound lot, according to TMZ.

Look on the bright side, Bynes: The "I'm not drunk. I'm just kinda over it and bored" face you're trying to work in your booking photo is some of the best acting work you've done in years.

Jason Trawick to share legal control over Britney Spears

Poor **Britney Spears**. Sure, she's a famous millionaire, has two cute kids (we can overlook for a moment with whom she had them), and a killer body. But she's still apparently incapable of looking after her own affairs. It was announced over the weekend that her fiancé, **Jason Trawick**, has reportedly filed a petition to be added as one of her conservators, according to E! News. If approved, Trawick would be in charge of Spears' general

well-being, while the singer's father would still be in charge of her multimillion-dollar fortune. Per People, a conservator like Trawick has the legal authority to make decisions over a person's food, clothing and medical care. Since 2008, Spears' father has held legal control over her, her career and her fortune after the singer suffered a psychological breakdown.

Sad. Usually you hope a marriage will be an equal partnership in all affairs, but it seems like Spears, 30, is still so medicated/sick that she's incapable of self-sufficiency. This is what we do to our famous young women, America.

Amanda Bynes, take note.



Spears

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The feed ...

► Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Kelly Osbourne is checking in with Ozzy, Rihanna has a new take on old advice, Steve Martin is trying to get a fresh start and Seth MacFarlane is worried about America.

@MissKellyO

I love it when my Dad calls me up just for a chat!

@rihanna

If u love something let it go...if it doesn't come back, hunt it down and kill it

@SteveMartinToGo

I thought yesterday was the first day of the rest of my life but it turns out today is.

@SethMacFarlane

This country is so asleep it's kind of a shock that the rest of the world doesn't write on us.



Kelly Osbourne

Talking points

It's official: Klum, Seal are divorced

There goes any hope for a reconciliation: Three months after announcing their separation, **Heidi Klum** has officially filed divorce papers against husband **Seal** in California, citing "irreconcilable differences," according to TMZ. The couple's prenuptial agreement reportedly ensures they'll retain separate proper-

ty and assets, and Klum is seeking primary custody of the couple's four children,



Seal

with visitation rights for Seal.

Will 'Games' director helm the sequel?

After introducing the blockbuster franchise, director **Gary Ross** will reportedly not be returning to helm the second "Hunger Games" film, according to the Playlist. Ross and the franchise's studio, Lionsgate, were involved in a "tough" back and forth over the deal for "Catching Fire," the second installment in **Suzanne Collins'** book series. Ross was reportedly paid \$3 million for the first film, plus

5 percent of its profits. Deadline's **Nikki Finke**, however, insists the reports are premature and that Ross has been on vacation.

Klein thanks dog for recovery

"American Reunion" star **Chris Klein** knew he had a problem with alcohol thanks to his German shepherd, Chief. "He would get agitated that the alcohol was coming out, and I will be forever grateful to him for that," Klein, who has been sober for 19 months following a DUI arrest and rehab, tells



Klein

People. "Anybody that has a meaningful relationship with a dog will understand that the disappointment that I saw in his eyes [was] insurmountable."



Mark Wahlberg in a tank top for your Monday

1. Mia Tyler and dad Steven Tyler checked out **Mia Tyler's** photo exhibit at the Viper Room on Saturday in West Hollywood, Calif.

2. Host Kelly Osbourne spoke on-stage at Logo's "NewNowNext Awards" 2012 at Avalon on Thursday in Hollywood, Calif.

3. Max Weinberg, Bruce Springsteen and Stevie Van Zandt performed at Madison Square Garden on Friday night in New York City.

4. A super-buff Mark Wahlberg was sighted on the set of his new movie with The Rock, "Pain And Gain," on Wednesday in Miami.

5. Diplo attended the "128 Beats Per Minute" release party and photography exhibition at the Milk Gallery on Saturday night in New York City.

6. Nicki Minaj teamed up with Nokia to perform live in front of 30,000 people in Times Square on Friday for the launch of the Windows Phone-based Nokia Lumia 900. The entire show was filmed as a backdrop for the music video for the exclusive Nokia Lumia 900 remix of Minaj's "Starships."



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'Hunger Games' fever leads box office

Movie blockbuster "The Hunger Games" topped U.S. and Canadian box office charts for a third straight weekend, holding off fresh competition from a 3-D remake of "Titanic" and comedy sequel "American Reunion."

"Hunger Games" pulled in an estimated \$33.5 million from Friday through Sunday, distributor Lionsgate Entertainment Corp. said.

Studio estimates showed "American Reunion" rung up \$21.5 million and finished second. "Titanic" sailed into third place with \$17.4 million.

"American Reunion" was re-



► "The Hunger Games"
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leased by Comcast Corp.'s Universal Pictures. Paramount Corp., a division of Viacom Inc., distributed "Titanic" in 3-D.

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TV watch list



► Dishes sit near the wreckage of the Titanic.

'Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations'

REALITY. Anthony Bourdain pick up again in Mozambique, where he scarfs down specialties like matapa — and possibly Imodium. Season premiere, 9 p.m., Travel Channel

'NewNowNext Awards'

SPECIAL. Kelly Osbourne hosts this forward-thinking awards show that honors the next big thing. 10 p.m., Logo

'Save the Titanic with Bob Ballard'

SPECIAL. Bob Ballard, the man who discovered the final resting place of the Titanic at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean in 1985, talks about the deterioration of the wreckage from both natural and human forces and why it is so important to preserve the ship as a monument. The 100th anniversary of the Titanic's sinking is Sunday. 10 p.m., National Geographic Channel

'Smash'

DRAMA. Uma Thurman begins a stint as a movie star who may be able to save "Marilyn: The Musical." 10 p.m., NBC

'Hotel Impossible'

REALITY. This "Kitchen Nightmares"-like rehab show overhauls hotels. Stepping in as the Gordon Ramsay authoritarian guru is hospitality industry vet Anthony Melchiorri. Series premiere, 10 p.m., Travel Channel **AMBER RAY**

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Jason Segel: Mr. Nice Guy?

- Amiable Jason Segel plays another optimist in 'Jeff, Who Lives at Home'
- But in real life, he has a dark side ► At least when it comes to cats

Jason Segel has cemented his reputation as Hollywood's reigning Nice Guy. And with his latest film, "Jeff, Who Lives at Home," he takes that image even further, playing an unyieldingly optimistic loser living in his mother's basement who sees the good in everyone. But there has to be something that makes him angry. As it turns out, he's not a fan of cats.

Jeff is remarkably positive and open to life.

Yeah, he's a special guy. He's a watcher, and he's taking things in. He really does have an undaunted confidence that there is a purpose to his life, and that's a pretty courageous thing to believe. I think ultimately he doesn't know how to make sense of a terrible tragedy — his father died when he was young, and he just believes that there must be some reason.

In less careful hands, these could be pretty laughable, demeaned characters.

I think the goal was to have the tone of life. We weren't trying for broad comedy, we weren't trying for dark comedy, we were just trying for honesty. And the Duplass brothers demand honesty, and that's what made me want to work with them. They roll the camera and they point it at you, and they don't say much. They'll let it roll for 40 minutes, and what sort of clicks in your mind is, "Well, I guess I'm supposed to do acting right now. They're

not going to say cut. I claim to be an actor, I better do it."

We've never really seen you get angry about anything, but there must be something that pisses you off.

Yeah. When someone's rude to service staff, I get furious. That could just as easily be you. Who the f— are you to tell a waiter to

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They've announced there's going to be a "Muppets" sequel now, but without you involved.

Yeah, Nick [Stoller, "Muppets" co-writer] and James [Bobin, the director] are going to do it. I worked very hard on this for half a decade. I just wanted a little Muppet break for a minute. Someday I may come back and do something, but I felt like I did what I set out to do.

hurry up? I hate it. That's my big one. Why are you treating somebody like a jerk? Jesus Christ, you think they want to be there serving you your food? I hate it. So I hate that, I hate intolerance — racism and sexism stuff really bothers me. And then I would fight like a lion for my friends and my family. That's about it. I don't really care about that much anymore. **If you didn't have an answer, I was going to ask you to say awful things about kittens.** Anyone who would say, "I don't have anything [that I hate]" is a liar. I am not a big fan of cats. I'm going to be controversial. I think they're entitled little bastards. You come home and a dog greets you at the door and is so happy to see you. A cat is just lying on your bed, has just done nothing all day, like, "Oh, hello."

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► Jason Segel, left, and Ed Helms star in "Jeff, Who Lives at Home," in theaters now.

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Are you normal? Jonathan Alpert is back with more answers to your questions



► Bieber fever is OK at any age — as long as it doesn't interfere with real life.

Here are some more of your "is it normal?" questions. Keep them coming in!

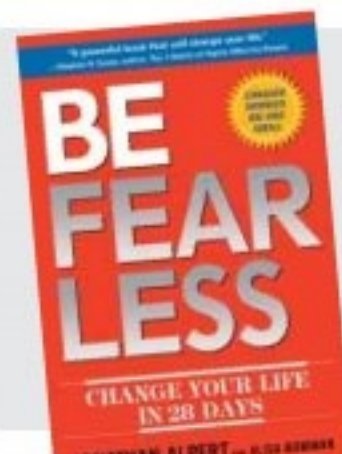
Is it normal for my 41-year-old friend to go to his mother's house to take naps with her? He's independent in all other ways: He has a career and takes care of himself. This freaks me out!
You should be freaked out. Unless his mother is actually not his mother but a long lost girlfriend, then no, this absolutely is not normal! That usually ends around age 12, or just before puberty. This is disturbing on two fronts: his desire to want to nap with his mother and her actually participating in it. I'd venture to say there's a

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lot more going on here than can be addressed in this column. Talk to him. Find out why he does it. If it turns out he is OK with it despite your concerns, then seriously consider that you might not have as much in common as you once thought.

Is it normal for my female friends to get mad at me because I can eat anything and not put on weight?
This sounds like jealousy to me, which is quite normal in friendships. Your friends, though, shouldn't let a fast metabolism get between them and a healthy friendship.

Is it normal for a grown woman to

be obsessed with Justin Bieber?
Being obsessed with celebrity knows no bounds, age notwithstanding. Like any obsession, if it is impacting her life in a way that it interferes with things such as her relationships, career and health, then she should get help.

— Jonathan Alpert is a licensed psychotherapist. His new book, "BE FEARLESS: Change Your Life in 28 Days," is out April 24. It will be sold at all major booksellers and Amazon. Check in with him online at www.jonathanalpert.com, on Facebook (www.facebook.com/jonathanalpert) and on Twitter @jonathanalpert.

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Act, don't plan, when it comes to the future

- ▶ Career micro-planning might be holding you back
- ▶ Why you should 'Take Action, Embrace Uncertainty'

Charles F. Kiefer co-founded Innovation Solutions in 1976, a management consulting company that became a forerunner of organizational learning philosophies in business.

Now Kiefer — along with co-writers Leonard A. Schlesinger and Paul Brown — has developed a new strategy. But this one isn't for the C-suite. Their new book, "Just Start: Take Action, Embrace Uncertainty, Create the Future," is a message for anyone attempting a career in a field they're passionate about.

The inspiration came in 2010, when Kiefer read Sara

"This kind of thinking is not just used by entrepreneurs. ... We've had military officers say it parallels the thinking they use in combat." KIEFER

D. Sarasvathy's "Effectuation: Elements of Entrepreneurial Expertise."

"I was 50 pages in, and it was really the most dense, unreadable book I think I've read in my professional career —

and this is coming from someone with a degree in theoretical physics from MIT!" explains Kiefer. "But at some point the bell went off in my head and I said, 'This is really the best, most insightful explanation of who an entrepreneur is that I've ever read.'"

Soon Kiefer and Schlesinger (the president of Babson College) were teaching their take on Sarasvathy's concepts to groups of students and professionals. They preached a rejection of career micro-planning in favor of an active, inquisitive journey.

"This kind of thinking is not just used by entrepreneurs. We've had evidence of it in all of the arts. We've had military officers say it parallels the thinking they use in combat. Any time you're faced with uncertain situations, this thinking makes sense," says Kiefer. "Unless you have a very standard kind of job path — and there are less and less of those out there — you need to act your way into the future. Not plan your way."

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Working in the wine industry

► You don't have to inherit a French vineyard to have a career in the wine business ► HR manager-turned-wine professor Liz Thach on breaking in

Twelve years ago, Liz Thach left her career in corporate human resources, moved to Sonoma Mountain, Calif., and started a new career in the wine industry. Currently, she is the professor of management and wine business at Sonoma State University. Her book, "How to Launch Your Wine Career," explores the many pleasures, rewards and pitfalls of life among the vineyards.

What's the best way to get started in the industry?

There are many jobs in the industry that are not at a winery: wine shops, restaurants, distribution, suppliers, et cetera. It tends to be a small family-oriented business, so developing relationships goes a long way. Developing a background in wine helps you speak the language. Continuing education is a wonderful start [see sidebar].

If you want to be a winemaker, you're going to have to get a degree in it or work your way up as an apprentice. Working in a tasting room is one of the best places to start.

Why does the wine industry require a special knowledge base, apart from a standard

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There are more than 60,000 different wine labels out there. There's no other industry that can be so confusing, from a marketing and sales standpoint. Music is the only industry with more labels than wine. Plus, it's a regulated industry. Each state has different rules about how it can be sold.

How is the culture of the industry different from the typical business environment?

So many people want to work in the industry because of the romance associated with wine and the beauty. It doesn't pay as much as high-tech or biotech. But most vineyards are in the most beautiful places in the world. Lovely buildings, nice architecture. It's a nice lifestyle. So there's a trade-off there.

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Is your stress ball worn through? If tension at work is leading to tension in your muscles, it can affect your mood and performance. For quick relief and a little desk-side zen, take some cues from yoga.

Breathe: Angie Norris, co-founder of Philadelphia yoga hot spot Studio 34, reminds us to breathe — and breathe slowly. "Slowing and deepening the breath stimulates the parasympathetic nervous system, slows

the heart rate, lowers blood pressure and increases the flow of oxygen," she explains. "This translates into reduced stress, increased relaxation and increased energy."

Stretch: To ease tension, stress and negative midafternoon thoughts, stretch it out. Nancy Byrd Radding, fitness director of The Oaks at Ojai spa in California, recommends this sequence: "Stand up. Breathe. Lift your arms up in Tall Mountain pose. Do a side stretch next — one hand on the hip, the other arm over the head — creating a crescent shape with the body. Stretch the eyes by looking slowly side to side, up and down, diagonally, and roll the eyes in circles. Stretch the neck by releasing each ear to its shoulder, then turn the neck side to side, up and down."

Balance: To restore balance, Radding suggests this move: "Stand on one foot whenever possible — during phone calls, in front of the copier. Simply tuck one foot around the opposite ankle and balance."

Twist: Taylor Wells, president of Prana Power Yoga, praises the



► Make some time in your day to breathe in and breathe out.

benefits of a simple, yet effective, spinal twist. You don't even need to get out of your seat for this one. "From seated, bring both feet flat on the floor," she instructs. "Place your hands on your arm rests and

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America is being bullied into poverty

Despite Lincoln's dedication, FDR's optimism, JFK's inspiration and Obama's deft chess playing, America is in the tomb awaiting resurrection from only one demon that encompasses all our national challenges: bullying, the oppression of "We the People" by Organized Corporatism (the new organized crime), intentionally and systematically depressing wages, health care and voting rights — especially of women and all minorities. Americans need "Rise Up and Walk" to save America from the pink slime of the new Robber Barons.

MARCELLO ROLLANDO, VIA E-MAIL

Politics: Point ...

Ever wonder why the GOP is so dissatisfied with President

Obama on so many issues? Take for example keeping the tax cuts that Bush put in for the rich. Most hard-working Americans are against this, particularly at a time of mounting deficits. The president agrees with the people on this, the GOP doesn't. How about the issues of keeping Planned Parenthood and equality for women when it comes to health care? President Obama, along with most Americans, agree with this — but not the GOP. The majority of Americans want to keep Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security benefits and other programs that help the poor and middle class. Not the good old GOP (see: Mr. Paul Ryan's budget). If a program can't help the rich, who needs it, right? Democrats want certain limits on what a company can do to the envi-

ronment. Most people are for this. Who wants to breathe foul air and drink impure water? The GOP isn't too worried about all that; they certainly don't want to bust their buddies in big business with too many restrictions.

LARRY BLONG, WOODLYN

... and counterpoint

Our beloved country is in big trouble! Barack Obama is quickly turning the United States of America into a Totalitarian Marxist Stalinist State! The health care reform requires all Americans to have RFID implants under their skin beginning March 2013! Internet surveillance is coming as well as race riots and martial law and even FEMA concentration camps! For enemies of the New World Order, wake up, sheeple! Our

country has experienced a communist revolution and is very much like Stalinist Russia and Nazi Germany!

KEVIN MCCLOSKEY, VIA E-MAIL

Historical atrocity not exactly unique

RE: "NO ROOM FOR HATRED IN DEBATE OVER ISRAEL": If white South Africans declare themselves the chosen race, take land belonging to blacks and refuse to give them the vote, it is called Apartheid. If Jews in Israel declare themselves the chosen race, take land belonging to Palestinians and refuse to give them the vote or statehood, well then such a description is called anti-Semitic. GARY LYON, VIA E-MAIL

Who's supposed to respect whom?

President Obama tells the Supreme Court that they should respect the legislative judgment of the president and Congress. Yet it's their duty to respect the judgment of the Supreme Court!

ALAN JACOBS, VIA E-MAIL

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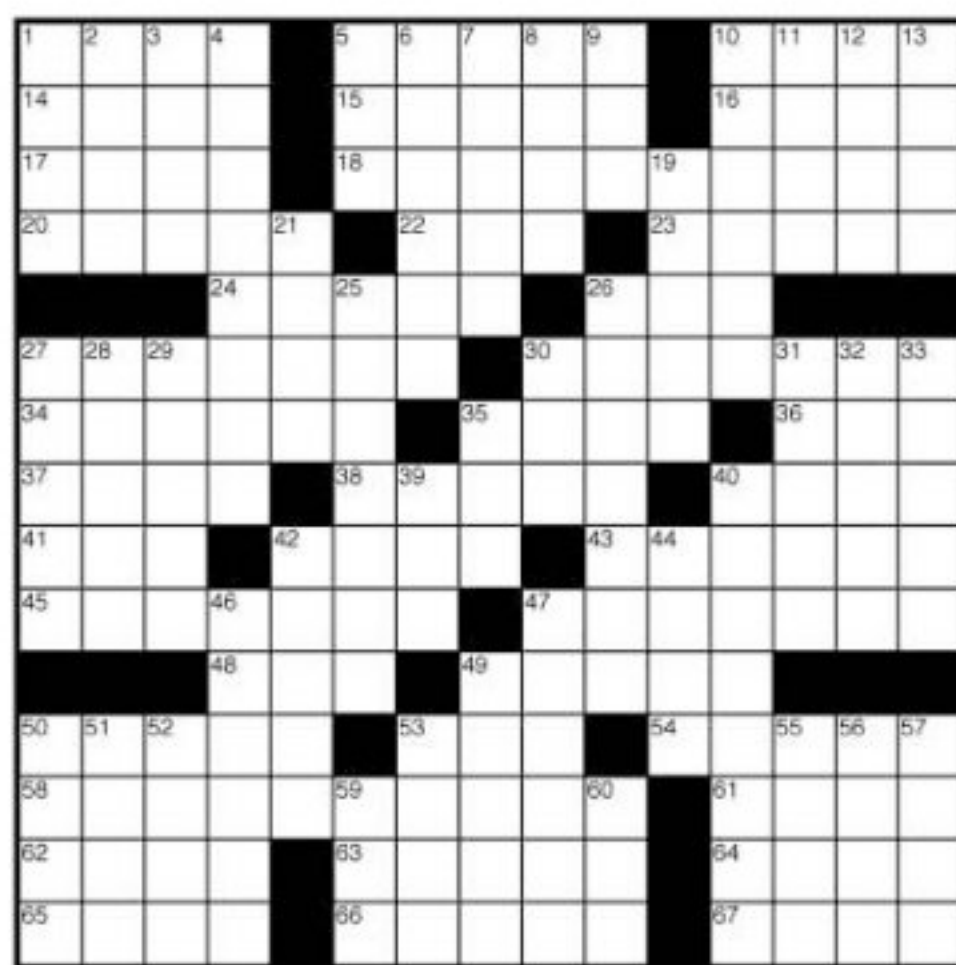
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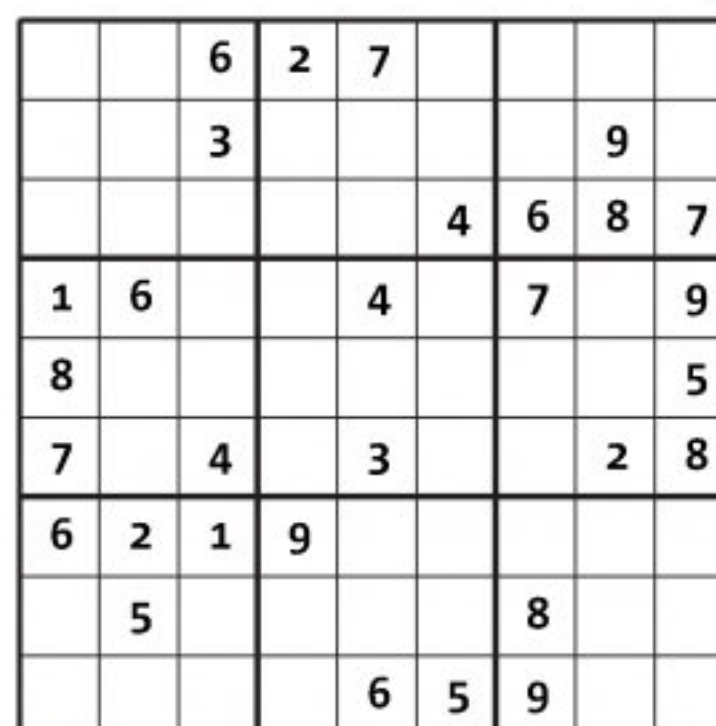
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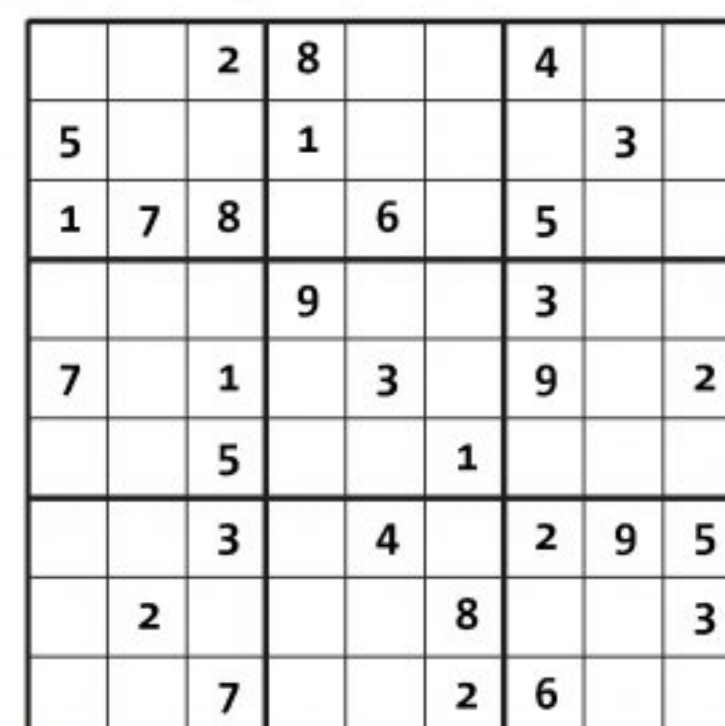
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Welcome home, Phils

► Phillies look to get back to winning ways ► First game back for Thome ► Marlins in town for opener

A home opener is always a special date on the calendar for any baseball fan. Apparently, it's pretty significant for ballplayers as well.

Jim Thome is thrilled that he'll be part of another home opener as a Phillie today against the Miami Marlins.

"That first game at home is always pretty special," Thome said. "I remember what it was like back when I was part of the home opener when I joined the club [in 2003]."

Thome received a massive ovation when he was introduced before the Phillies played the Pittsburgh Pirates that day at Veterans Stadium.

For those who missed it, Thome was treated then like Cliff Lee is these days. The hulking slugger signed a massive deal to play for the

ON TV TODAY

Marlins at Phillies,
1:05 p.m. (CSN)

Phillies and the fans loved him.

"I'm really looking forward to playing at Citizens Bank Park again," Thome said. "I have great memories."

Thome hit the first home run at the yard, in an exhibition game, and he slammed the 400th home run of his career at Citizens Bank Park.

Jimmy Rollins has started more home openers at Citizens Bank Park than any other Phillie. J-Roll has been the shortstop during eight of a possible eight home openers.

"Opening Day in Philadelphia is always a special thing," Rollins said. "It's always a

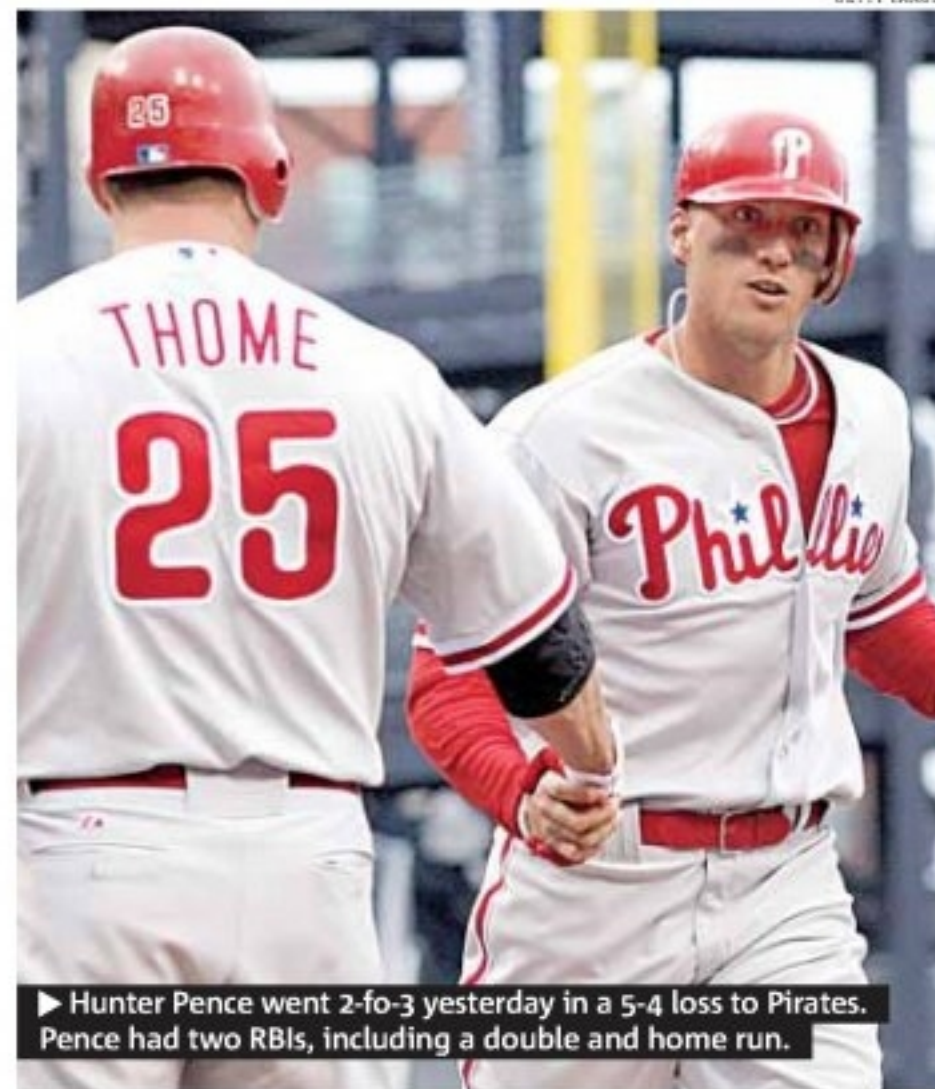
great day. I'm very happy to be part of another one. It's fun that it's such a big deal."

Phillies rookies Joe Savery and Freddy Galvis will experience the pomp and circumstance for the first time.

"I've learned to just take in all of the firsts and enjoy it," Savery said. "Being up [in the major leagues] is more than I ever imagined. That experience [Opening Day at Citizens Bank Park] is going to be amazing."

The Phillies began the season with a 1-0 win last week in Pittsburgh. The team dropped the next two games to the Pirates, including yesterday's 5-4 loss after a walk-off RBI by Andrew McCutchen.

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► Hunter Pence went 2-for-3 yesterday in a 5-4 loss to Pirates. Pence had two RBIs, including a double and home run.

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Citizens Bank Park preparing for Phils 2012 home opener

► Diapers and garden gnomes top new merch ► Tacos, paninis added to menu ► Concession stands now open

There have been changes on the field at Citizens Bank Park due to injury. There have been changes in the Majestic Clubhouse Store and the concession stands due to choice.

You might have a Phillies cap and jersey, but does your toddler sport Phillies diapers? Now, they'll have the chance to accent their Phillies outerwear with a new favorite undergarment.

The "pillow pets" have invaded the ballpark. You can have the Phanatic Pets in mega- or mini-sized. And gardeners will no longer be ignored. Phillies solar lights and wooden signs are available. The items range from Phillies stones to garden gnomes. There are also yoga mats, Phanatic hats and piggy banks.

And then there is the new grub. Food is an obsession for many fans. How else can you explain those who miss an inning-and-a-half waiting in line at Ashburn Alley?

Check out the nachos and tacos at section 122, and the chicken pesto panini sounds like a winner. Get your panini



► The Phanatic makes his season debut today.

nis behind sections 125, 204 and 321. The black bean burgers are topped with guacamole and salsa. The burgers can be scored behind section 128, 140, 206 and 323.

Harry The K's, the Phillies' sit-down restaurant, has expanded its menu. There are warm federal pretzels, with cheese fondue and beer mustard. Try the Texas Tommy (wrapped in bacon, topped with chili and American cheese sauce).

And who can ever get enough fries? There are disco fries (served with brown gravy, melted mozzarella and

bacon), Philly fries (topped with chopped steak, caramelized onions and cheese sauce) and salt-and-vinegar fries (togarashi-spiced fries with malt vinegar).

Much has changed in the ballpark, but little will change when it comes to attendance. The Phillies figure to duplicate their sold-out 2011 season, so the Majestic Clubhouse Store will be packed and the concession lines will be long once again — but it should be worth the wait.

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- Game 4: April 18, at FLYERS, 7:30 p.m. (CSN)

Games 5, 6, 7 are if necessary. Series is best-of-seven.

four wins moves on to the second round," Max Talbot said. "That's how we see it. We're playing a good team. It's going to be a hard-fought battle."

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Rolling onto the track now, I'm mostly calm and, for the first time, completely alone. Another student has already spun the Cup car twice.



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